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In re application of

Geoffrey B. Rhoads

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Sir:

Responsive to the Action dated February 18, 1998, applicant responds as follows:

REMARKS

Claims 22-40 and 42-70 remain in the application. Reconsideration is requested in view of the following remarks.

Section 103

Claims 21-40 and 42-70 stand rejected under Section 103 over Ujiie in view of Ackerman and Stefik '980.

The claims are directed to products and methods to assure that photographers' works are correctly attributed to them and not improperly copied. None of the cited art addresses these needs or provides these advantages.